



THE FRANNER EXAMINER

Dear Parents

We have had a makeover!! The front of the school looks amazing all thanks to the hard work of our Parents Association. The bars have come down and the front of the school has had a lick of paint. This makes the school environment much brighter, more welcoming and more conducive to learning.

We have replaced eight projectors in the school .We got a very generous donation from a past pupil who attributes all his success in life to a great start he got in 'Franner'. It cost a significant amount to replace all the projectors and we are very grateful to our 'Franner' friend and he has made a huge difference to the teaching and learning in our school.

Some boys in 2nd class have been very lucky. A group of adults from a company called Workday have been coming into school every Tuesday to read with the boys. They are having so much fun and their reading skills are getting a great boost!

Finally, a big 'well done' to the boys in 5th, Mr. Doyle and Solas who featured on the RTE 1 programme 'Would you Believe'. They were all wonderful and we are very proud of how hard working and articulate they all are.

We are looking forward to the next few months of school. Keep an eye on our website www.francisstcbs.ie and our Facebook page for up and coming events. Please get involved too, we love to see new faces!

Ms Collins

5th are Flying

This year in fifth class has been very exciting. The reason it's exciting is that we have done a lot of fun activities like tag rugby, football training with St.Pat's and a football blitz but the most exciting was Dragons Den.

What happened was my class got split up into six different groups and all of the groups had a mentor from a company called Dunhumby. All of the groups had to come up with a business idea. We also had to learn about teamwork and posture when shaking hands and when we are speaking. All of the business ideas were great. We all had four weeks to get our ideas, posters and presentations ready and on the fifth week we had to go to the Dragons Den at the Dunhumby Offices. TV cameras from the RTE programme, 'Would You Believe,' came in to film the Dragons' Den experience. The programme was on TV on Sunday 2nd February and it was really good. In the Dragons' Den, Sean Loughins was chosen as the best presenter and the winning team was the Solar Kidz. At the end Ben Norton made a speech thanking everyone at Dunhumby and the Solas Project for giving us this wonderful opportunity.



The Solar Kidz and they will compete against others schools from Dublin in the finals of Dragons Den in June. A big thank you to Graham Jones and Mr. Doyle for organising Dragons Den, well done to the Solar Kizs and good luck in the final!

Ben Norton 5th

PEACE PROMS

On the 1st February our school choir took part in The Peace Proms Concert which took place in City West Convention Centre. As you can see from the photos, there were hundreds of children from schools all across the country who took part. This huge choir was accompanied by the Cross Border Orchestra and the evening was superb.



Rehearsals started in January and our choir worked very hard, learning all the words and actions to over 20 songs! On the night we got a bus to City West and the atmosphere was electric! All the boys remembered their words and actions and lots of parents came to support us and all of them commented on how fabulous the night was.



We look forward to doing it again next year!

Ms McQuaid and Ms Feeney



Our Norman Castle

Ms. Nolan's class are making a Norman castle together at the moment. We started this project about a month ago. We are making it because we are learning about the Normans in History. We are making it out of cardboard boxes and old toilet rolls. We are using the boxes for the Keep and the toilet rolls for the Round Towers. For decoration we are using lollipop sticks for the fence and pasta shapes for the spikes. We also made pully system to show how the Norman's were able to lift the stones into place. We learned about the pully system in Science. Ms. Finnegan and Sinead are helping us too.

by Luke Waterhouse

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Life in Second in Franner

Life in Ms. Bohan's 2nd class has been very busy. We have started to have a Play Rota. We play Wordsearch, Monopoly, Charades and Scrabble every morning for 15 minutes. Every Tuesday rugby coaches from Monkstown CBC come to train us in tag rugby. We have a garden in our class now with hyacinths, daffodils, snowdrops and

bluebells.

Positivity Week has been going for the past week. On Friday Ms. Collins gave a love heart lollipop to Reece Boylan in our class. Reece says that it was lovely. We have been collecting compliments.

Last Friday was Chinese New Year. This year is called after the Horse. We learned that the Chinese wash their house from top to bottom to get rid of all of the bad luck and that they give red envelopes to each other.

On the 26th of January we went to mass. Ms Feeney's class were there too. We were singing on the altar and Father Martin said that we were great singers and that we got compliments from other people at mass. We went on a tour of the church last Friday and we learned about the church and the statutes in it. By Ms. Bohan's class.

MR. D VS MR.G.

The annual rivalry between Mr. Doyle's and Mr. Goggin's classes got off to an exciting start this year. The rivalry sees the classes challenging each other in class against class competitions in maths, football, debating, chess, spellings, penos and football rounders.

The first challenge of the year was the maths-off where Mr. Doyle's class shocked 6th class and took a very well deserved victory. Mr. Goggin's class are hurting and can't wait for the next challenge!



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